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Dear President Trump:

I am writing directly to you, in light of troubling recent developments in the case of Ghislaine Maxwell, to demand that you provide answers for the American people and all the survivors harmed by Ms. Maxwell's conduct.

You have claimed to be the "most transparent" president in history and have insisted you exercise close control over the Department of Justice (DOJ) and the Federal Bureau of Prisons (BOP). Yet, you have adamantly refused to release the Epstein files despite campaigning on their release. You lied when you denied authoring a lewd and incriminating birthday note to Jeffrey Epstein, and you ridiculously claimed that your own unmistakable signature on that note was not your signature. You shut down the DOJ's ongoing investigation into Epstein's co-conspirators, and you expressly declined to rule out pardoning his main accomplice, convicted child sex trafficker Ghislaine Maxwell. The situation looks more and more suspicious to growing bipartisan majorities in Congress every day.

The House Committee on the Judiciary has now received whistleblower information indicating that this cover up goes even further into DOJ and BOP than was known before.

Documents and information received over the last several days by this Committee indicate that under Dr. Tanisha Hall, the warden of Federal Prison Camp (FPC) Bryan, the federal law enforcement staff working at the camp have been waiting on Ms. Maxwell hand and foot.[1] This information also indicates that Ghislaine Maxwell is working on filing a "Commutation Application" with your Administration—demonstrating either that Ms. Maxwell is herself requesting you release her from her 20-year prison sentence for her role as a co-conspirator in Jeffrey Epstein's international child sex trafficking ring, or that this child sex predator now holds such tremendous sway in the second Trump Administration that you and your DOJ will follow her clemency recommendations.

[1] Whistleblower Information Provided to House Committee on the Judiciary, Minority.

Meanwhile, any inmate or staff who questions or blows the whistle on the institution's grotesque pampering of a serial sexual abuser and human trafficker at taxpayer expense is being punished and retaliated against by Warden Hall. Within FPC Bryan, the deference and servility to Ms. Maxwell have reached such preposterous levels that one of the top officials at the facility has complained that he is "**sick of having to be Maxwell's bitch.**"[2]

In light of these shocking revelations, I write to demand that you make your former personal attorney and now Deputy Attorney General, Todd Blanche, available for a public hearing immediately with our Committee to answer for this corrupt misuse of law enforcement resources and potential exchange of favors for false testimony exonerating you and other Epstein accomplices.

What information is Ms. Maxwell agreeing to suppress in order to receive such outlandishly favorable treatment as a federal prisoner and convicted sex offender?

Three months ago, we wrote to DOJ and BOP about your Administration's extraordinary transfer of Ms. Maxwell to FPC Bryan, a minimum-security facility, in apparent flagrant violation of BOP policies, including one that explicitly prohibits the placement of sex offenders in such facilities.[3] We know that DOJ and BOP arranged this transfer after Deputy Attorney General Blanche interviewed Ms. Maxwell over a two-day period in July and pronounced himself satisfied with her answers.[4]

During this interview, Ms. Maxwell, unchallenged by Mr. Blanche, recited the same lies that originally led your DOJ to charge her with perjury in 2020. For instance, she repeated the hilariously false and outlandish claim that she had never interacted with anyone underage at Mr. Epstein's properties.[5] She also uttered false claims that she had never introduced Mr. Epstein to underage women, stated that she had never seen Mr. Epstein have inappropriate sexual contact with anyone, and called the claims that the late Virginia Guiffre had made against Prince Andrew "bullshit."[6] Recently, due to the credible and horrifying allegations of sexual abuse contained in Ms. Guiffre's posthumously published book, Prince Andrew was stripped of his royal titles by the British royal family, after which you promptly expressed your strong sympathies—not to Prince Andrew's victims but to Prince Andrew and his family.[7]

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[2] *Id.*

[3] Letter from The Hon. Jamie Raskin, Ranking Member, H. Comm. on the Judiciary, to The Hon. Pamela J. Bondi, Attorney General, U.S. Department of Justice, and The Hon. William K. Marshall III, Director, Federal Bureau of Prisons (Aug. 12, 2025), https://democrats-judiciary.house.gov/sites/evo-subsites/democrats-judiciary.house.gov/files/evo-media-document/2025-08-12.raskin-nadler-lofgren-et-al-to-bondi-doj-marshall-bop-re-maxwell.pdf.

[4] *Id*.

[5] U.S. Department of Justice, *U.S. v. Maxwell*, 20-CR330 (AJN) (Mar. 29, 2021), *Superseding Indictment*, www.documentcloud.org/documents/21119191-maxwell-superseding-indictment/?mode=document#document/p20; U.S. Department of Justice, *Maxwell Interview*, https://www.justice.gov/maxwell-interview.

[6] U.S. Department of Justice, *Maxwell Interview*, https://www.justice.gov/maxwell-interview.

[7] Mark Landler, *Prince Andrew to Be Stripped of His Royal Title*, N.Y. TIMES, (Oct. 30, 2025), www.nytimes.com/2025/10/30/world/europe/uk-prince-andrew-title.html; Mithil Aggarwal, *Trump Says He Feels*

Ms. Maxwell's testimony, the demonstrable actual "bullshit" in this episode, was clearly designed to exonerate you. Ms. Maxwell dutifully stated that she never saw you "in any inappropriate setting in any way," although she also testified "that there was nothing from President Trump" in Mr. Epstein's 50th Birthday Book—a flat-out lie directly contradicted by subsequent disclosures.[8]

The question now is precisely what did Mr. Blanche promise or suggest Ms. Maxwell might receive for this false testimony. Her own lawyer cogently captured the situation: "there's always a quid pro quo."[9]

One part of that question was answered the week after Mr. Blanche interviewed Ms. Maxwell, when DOJ and BOP transferred her to FPC Bryan, an all-women, minimum-security prison camp in Bryan, Texas, which is listed as one of the "Best Jails in America to Serve Time"—a facility Ms. Maxwell was actually ineligible to be transferred to due to her convicted sex offender status.[10] The favorable treatment did not end with her super-expedited transfer and admission to a facility that she was not qualified to enter. According to specific information received by Minority staff on this Committee, FPC Bryan Warden Hall, has heaped favorable concierge-style treatment on Ms. Maxwell since her bizarre arrival at the institution. For instance:

- Ms. Maxwell's meals have been customized and prepared by federal prison camp staff and then personally delivered to her in her cell by longtime federal employees;

- When Ms. Maxwell wanted to arrange a private meeting with visitors, including members of her family, the Warden personally arranged it for her—and then provided a special cordoned off area for visitors to arrive, as well as an assortment of snacks and refreshments for her guests;

- Ms. Maxwell's guests were permitted to bring computers—an unprecedented action by the Warden given the security risk and potential for Ms. Maxwell to use a computer to conduct unmonitored communications with the outside world;

- When the phone lines went down for other inmates at the camp, Ms. Maxwell provided specific instructions about exactly which BOP personnel her contacts

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'Badly' for Royal Family over Andrew-Epstein Scandal, NBC NEWS (Nov. 3, 2025), www.nbcnews.com/world/united-kingdom/trump-feels-badly-royal-family-prince-andrew-epstein-king-charles-rcna241530.

[8] U.S. Department of Justice, *Maxwell Interview*, https://www.justice.gov/maxwell-interview; Annie Grayer & Sarah Ferris, *House Committee Releases 'Birthday Book,' Other Records from Epstein Estate*, CNN (Sept. 8, 2025), www.cnn.com/2025/09/08/politics/epstein-estate-birthday-book-documents-house-oversight.

[9] Janna Brancolini, *CNN Panelist Says Ghislaine Maxwell Lawyer Just 'Admitted' Secret Trump Deal Live on TV*, DAILY BEAST (Sept. 9, 2025), www.thedailybeast.com/ghislaine-maxwells-lawyer-admitted-to-secret-deal-with-donald-trump-live-on-cnn/.

[10] Simon Burge, *Best Jails in America to Serve Time*, SECURITY J. AMERICAS (Apr. 1, 2024), https://securityjournalamericas.com/best-jail-in-america/.

should call, and how those BOP personnel would then connect to relay the call to Ms. Maxwell;

- When Ms. Maxwell wanted to review and edit documents quickly, she essentially used Warden Hall as her personal secretary and administrative assistant. Ms. Maxwell's correspondents would email documents directly to the Warden, who would provide them to Ms. Maxwell, who would then review and edit them and provide them back to the Warden to scan and provide to the original sender. For other inmates, simple mail can take weeks to arrive and is frequently lost;

- An inmate who trains puppies to become service dogs was instructed to provide one to Maxwell for a time so she could play with the puppy, even though neither inmates nor staff are ordinarily allowed to pet the service dogs in training; and,

- When Ms. Maxwell wanted to go to the prison exercise area, she was personally escorted there after hours by prison guards so she could work out by herself and was allowed to enjoy recreation time in staff-only areas.[11]

This top-flight luxury service has reached such a point of absurdity that one of the top officials at the prison has complained that he is "sick of having to be Maxwell's bitch."[12] Needless to say, these luxuries and amenities have not been afforded to any other inmates and mark Ms. Maxwell more as a guest at a Trump hotel than a federal prisoner and child sex offender.[13] In addition, Warden Hall has threatened the inmates at FPC Bryan that if they *so much as speak to Ms. Maxwell*, they will be transferred to significantly worse prison facilities up to a thousand miles away. Other inmates have had to inform their families that they would not be able to visit the camp because it had been closed down for Ms. Maxwell's visits.[14]

While federal law enforcement officials cater to her every need, Ms. Maxwell has also been working on what might be the second part of the quid pro quo arrangement. She is preparing a "Commutation Application" for your Administration to review, undoubtedly coming to you for your direct consideration. The Warden herself is directly helping Ms. Maxwell copy, print, and send documents related to this application.[15]

The exact content of this "Commutation Application" is unclear. It is however clear that Ms. Maxwell has good reason to believe that, despite her sentence for child sex trafficking, she may receive the extraordinary grant of clemency from you—whether she files an application or not. Feigning ignorance and distancing yourself from the situation, you have pointedly refused to rule out clemency for her. On October 6, when you were asked about whether you would rule it out, you replied: "you know, I haven't heard the name in so long. I can say that I'd have to take a

[11] Whistleblower Information Provided to House Committee on the Judiciary, Minority.

[12] *Id*.

[13] *Id*. There are indications that one celebrity inmate at the camp is allowed some unearned special privileges; however, even this favorable treatment pales in comparison to that afforded Ms. Maxwell.

[14] Whistleblower Information Provided to House Committee on the Judiciary, Minority.

[15] *Id*.

look at it. I would have to take a look." You then added, "I will speak to the DOJ. I wouldn't consider it or not consider—I don't know anything about it."[16] Your mysterious intermittent bouts of amnesia about Ms. Maxwell—who appears in close proximity to you and Mr. Epstein in numerous photographs and has been a feature of the news over the last six months—is no more convincing than your professions that you had "no idea" who your crypto-business partner Changpeng Zhao was, even after you pardoned him for a serious felony related to money laundering that helped finance Al Qaeda, Hamas, and the Islamic State.[17]

To repeat the point of my prior letters, Ms. Maxwell was convicted by a jury of her peers for some of the most harrowing conduct criminalized by our laws: conduct for which she reportedly showed an "utter lack of remorse."[18] As the trial judge stated at her sentencing, Ms. Maxwell "directly and repeatedly and over the course of many years participated in a horrific scheme to entice, transport, and traffic underage girls, some as young as 14, for sexual abuse by and with Jeffrey Epstein."[19] In the words of one of those victims, the late Virginia Giuffre, who you may recall worked as an attendant at your Mar-a-Lago Club at the time when she was first trafficked by Ms. Maxwell and Mr. Epstein, Ms. Maxwell "is a monster. She's worse than Epstein. She did things even worse than Epstein did. She was vicious. She was evil."[20]

You should not grant any form of clemency to this convicted and unrepentant sex offender. Your Administration should not be providing her with room service, with puppies to play with, with federal law enforcement officials waiting on her every need, or with any special treatment or institutional privilege at all. It is indisputable that the order to treat Ms. Maxwell as an honored guest, rather than a federal prisoner, has come from the highest levels, although you could reassure America, today, by telling us that Ms. Maxwell's treatment has been orchestrated by a renegade faction within the Bureau of Prisons, and you are ordering an investigation.

The time has come to cease any coy or sly answers about granting clemency to a convicted child sex predator. I am demanding answers to these three questions.

First, have you discussed a potential commutation—or any form of presidential clemency—for Ms. Maxwell with Mr. Blanche, his underlings or anyone else in your Administration?

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[16] Steve Holland & Jeff Mason, *Trump Says He Will Talk to DOJ About Maxwell Pardon, Says Diddy Asked for One*, REUTERS (Oct. 6, 2025), www.reuters.com/world/us/trump-says-he-will-talk-doj-about-maxwell-pardon-says-diddy-asked-one-2025-10-06/.

[17] Enjoli Liston, *Trump Says He Doesn't Know Crypto Billionaire He Pardoned*, N.Y. TIMES (Nov. 3, 2025), www.nytimes.com/2025/11/03/us/politics/trump-60-minutes-interview-binance-cz-pardon.html.

[18] U.S. Department of Justice, *U.S. v. Maxwell*, 20-CR-330 (AJN) (July 13, 2020), *Sentencing Memorandum*, https://www.courthousenews.com/wp-content/uploads/2022/06/maxwell-government-sentencing-memo.pdf.

[19] *United States v. Maxwell*, 1:20-cr-00330-PAE (S.D.N.Y. June 28, 2022), Tr. at 89.

[20] *Virginia Giuffre's Family Expresses Shock After Trump Says Epstein "Stole" Her from Mar-A-Lago*, CBS NEWS (July 31, 2025), https://www.cbsnews.com/news/virginia-giuffre-family-trump-epstein-stole-her-mar-a-lago/; Herb Scribner, *Giuffre Family Blasts Trump for Maxwell's Prison Move: "Smacks of a Cover Up*," AXIOS (Aug. 1, 2025), https://www.axios.com/2025/08/01/virginia-giuffre-ghislaine-maxwell-prison-camp-epstein.

Second, have you directed Mr. Blanche or anyone else in your Administration to provide Ms. Maxwell with the transfer to the prison camp, favorable and preferential treatment in prison, or special accommodations for her communications and interaction with her family and the outside world?

Third, what has Ms. Maxwell, her attorneys, family or representatives promised you or your attorneys?

I request that you provide responses to the above questions by November 24, 2025, and that you ensure Mr. Blanche reaches out to my staff to arrange time and place for his hearing by November 17, 2025. As I am sure you can appreciate, given the clear false statements of Ms. Maxwell in her interview with Mr. Blanche, the subsequent and repeated favorable treatment afforded to her, and her planned testimony before a congressional committee,[21] Mr. Blanche's actions may constitute a serious and far-reaching violation of the criminal law.[22]

I look forward to your prompt attention to this matter, Sir.

Very truly yours,

Jamie Raskin
Ranking Member

cc: The Honorable Jim Jordan, Chairman

The Honorable Todd Blanche, Deputy Attorney General
U.S. Department of Justice

The Honorable Pamela Bondi, Attorney General
U.S. Department of Justice

Dr. Tanisha Hall, Warden
Federal Prison Camp Bryan

[21] Before Ms. Maxwell spoke with Mr. Blanche, and before she was moved to FPC Bryan, the House Oversight Committee subpoenaed her testimony. Caitlin Yilek, *House Committee Subpoenas Epstein Associate Ghislaine Maxwell to Sit for Deposition*, CBS NEWS (July 23, 2025), www.cbsnews.com/news/ghislaine-maxwell-house-oversight-committee-subpoena-jeffrey-epstein/.

[22] 18 U.S.C. § 1622 criminalizes the subornation of perjury before legislative, administrative or judicial bodies. Similarly, 18 U.S.C § 1505 prohibits the obstruction of proceedings before departments, agencies, and committees; 18 U.S.C § 1512 prohibits the tampering with a witness, victim, or an informant in an official proceeding; 18 U.S.C § 201 prohibits bribing, or attempting to bribe, a witness.